## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: T. KOBAYASHI, et al.

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For: MOLECULAR DETECTION METHOD, MOLECULAR

COUNTING METHOD, MOLECULAR LOCALIZATION DETECTION METHOD, AND A MOLECULAR DETECTION

SYSTEM USED THEREFOR

Group AU: 1634

Examiner: Narayan Kameshwar Bhat

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## <u>AMENDMENT</u>

Mail Stop: AMEND – FEE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA, 22313-1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 January 29, 2009

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 29, 2008, the period for responding having been extended for three (3) months by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as listed below and as set forth on the following pages:

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS; and

REMARKS are included following the amendments.